

# Greater Badminton Association of Sydney

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## GBAS Inter-Club Team Entry Form

1. Available Divisions are:

- Men's Division 2 (B grade players)
- Men's Division 3 (C grade players)
- Men's Division 4 (D grade players)
- Ladies Division 3 (C & D grades, one B grade player per team is allowed, however, she may only play in doubles, partnering lower ranked players)

2. Ladies are allowed to join men's teams. If there are insufficient teams in a division, we would consider forming a combined division for these players.

3. **Entry Fee** is \$20 per team.

4. Please complete your team's details below and submit them with the correct payment by the closing date. *The competition is expected to commence shortly after the closing date.*

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ENTRY CLOSING DATE - 30 March 2007

**Club:** ..... **Team:** .....

Please circle team entered: Ladies Division 3, Men's Division 2 / 3 / 4

Playing venue, day and time: .....

Captain: ..... Phone No (W): ..... (H/M) .....

Address of Captain: .....

Vice Cap (opt): ..... Phone No: ..... Fee Enclosed \$ .....

+Name of Player	*Rank	@Grade	+Name of Player	*Rank	@Grade

**\*1 is stronger than 2, 2 is stronger than 3 etc. No player may have equal ranking. @Grade is based on SBA grades where available. The organiser reserves the right to re-rank or re-grade players. +Maximum number of players for a team is eight (8). No player may be changed after your team has played the second round.**

# GBAS Inter-Club Competition

## 2007 Rules and Conditions

(This year's changes are in bold)



### 1. The Team

- A club may enter one or more teams. A player may represent only ONE team or club for the duration of the tournament unless agreed by the tournament organiser. Ladies are allowed to play in the men's team.
- A team is made up of a maximum of 8 players. The list of the players in the team is to be submitted to the organiser at the beginning of the tournament. No changes are allowed after the team has played its second round except in special circumstances. (*Note: you are advised to enter up to eight players to allow for withdrawals, injuries, illness etc.*)
- The team captain is to present the list of GBAS endorsed players at each round.

### 2. Tournament Format

- One or more pools may be formed depending upon the number of teams entering.
- Teams (or teams in the same pool) will play each other in a round robin format in a home and away arrangement.
- Each round will be composed of four (4) doubles matches.
- A player may not play in more than 2 matches in a round. Players can be paired only ONCE in each round. (*Note: The above requires a team to have at least four players for each round. If you have three players, you may play only three matches and forfeit one match.*)
- The team captain ranks the team players at the beginning of each round **based on the entry form ranking of the players in the team. A pair with a higher ranked player (or players) will be deemed to rank higher irrespective of the ranking of the partner.** Players of equal round ranking from each team are to play each other. (*For example, the number one ranked doubles pair from team A plays the number one ranked pair from team B, and so on.*) Ranking cannot be changed after the round has started. Replacement is allowed only in the case of injury.
- Each match is made up of two games, each game is played to **21 points with no setting. New score rules apply.**
- Where a round has to be terminated before all matches are completed due to hall hire limitation, scores for partly finished games will stand with the games awarded to the leading team. Games not started are not awarded any game points. Note that this does not apply where a team requests early termination of the round. In this instance, normal forfeiture rule on the unplayed games applies.

### 3. Deciding the Winner

- The winning team of each round is the one that wins the most number of games.
- In the case of finals and semi-finals rounds, if both team wins the same number of games, points won and lost will be used to determine the winner. Failing that, the number of points won and lost from all the rounds will be used.
- Two tournament points are awarded to the winning team of each round. In the event of a draw, each team is awarded one tournament point. If a team forfeits the round, two tournament points are awarded to the opposing team, **all games are treated as 21-0.**
- The winning team of the pool is the one with the most number of tournament points. In the event of two top teams with the same number of points, the one with the most number of games won is the winner, failing that, the most point won, failing that, the least points lost.

- In the case of only one pool, the two top teams will play a final. The team with most tournament points (or games and scores) will have choice of venue. This applies irrespective of the number of teams in the pool.
- In the case of two or more pools, the winning team of each pool will play in a semi-final knockout with semi-final winners playing the final. The venues will be decided by the team with more tournament points (or games and scores) in the semi-final or final. *(Note that where there are three pools, the winner of each pool plus the team with the next highest tournament points etc will be in the semi-final).*
- Captains of the semi-final and final teams are to liaise with each other for the round and then notify the organiser.
- A maximum of six trophies are awarded to the winning team on the day of the final. Additional trophies will be posted. Runner-up trophies are awarded at the discretion of the organiser.

#### **4. Courtesy Rules**

- You must communicate postponements or changes to the opposing team captain no less than five days before the round is to commence. This allows the players of the other team to be notified. Late notification or no show result in automatic forfeiture of the round by the team. It is the responsibility of the requesting team captain to ensure that the other team captain is appropriately notified.
- A team is allowed one postponement in the case of a pool of 3 teams, and two postponements in the case of more than three teams, for the duration of the tournament. Further postponements are deemed to be forfeiture of the round.
- In the normal round, the home team provides the shuttles. The visiting team is not to be charged attendance fee. In the semi-final and final rounds, the visiting team provides the shuttles
- The winning team (or the home team in the event of a draw) is to fax the results to the inter club organiser.

#### **5. In the event of disputes, the GBAS tournament organiser's decision is final.**